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For: SURGICAL APPARATUS PERMITTING RECHARGE OF BATTERY-DRIVEN
SURGICAL INSTRUMENT IN NONCONTACT STATE

VIA EFS WEB

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Commissioner for Patents

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

The present Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 is responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed June 20, 2007, in the above-identified application. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

_____ If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

	NO. CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		EXTRA PRESENT		RATE	ADDIT. FEE
TOTAL	15	MINUS	20	* =	0	X	(\$25 SE or \$50)	\$0
INDEP.	2	MINUS	3	** =	0	X	(\$100 SE or \$200)	\$0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM						X	(\$180 SE or \$360)	\$0
								TOTAL \$ 0

* not less than 20

** not less than 3

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If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

1. ____ If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
2. ____ If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
3. ____ If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
4. ☒ If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.